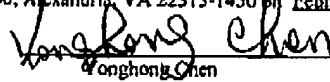


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METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF**Attorney Docket No.: **3926.221**Customer No.: **30448****CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)**

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**AMENDMENT A**

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Responsive to the Office action dated January 8, 2008. Applicants submit herewith the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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